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TAGS: PCAT, UNSC, IS, XF

SUBJECT: FRENCH DENIAL OF ARMS SALES TO SOUTH AFRICA

REF: USUN 1243

MISSION SHOULD INFORM FRENCH THAT WE DO NOT HAVE ANY
SPECIFIC INFORMATION RELATING TO ALLEGED SOUTH AFRICAN
PURCHASES OF FRENCH ARMS DURING POST NOVEMBER 4, 1977
PERIOD. FYI: DEPARTMENT DOUBTS THAT WE WILL BE ABLE
TO PROVIDE FRENCH WITH SPECIFIC INFOQMATON ON THIS
SUBJECT. REPORTS WHICH HAVE COME TO LIGHT SINCE
NOVEMBER 4 ARE INCONCLUSIVE IN NATURE, AND ARE NOT IN A
FORM UHICH COULD BE SHARED WITH ANOTHER COUNTRY. S;OULD
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ANY USEABLE INFORMATION ON THIS POINT COME TO OUR
ATTENTION, HOWEVER, WE WILL NATURALLY SHARE IT WITH THE
FRENCH IN VIEW OF OUR COMMON INTERESTS IN SECURING
WIDEST POSSIBLE ENFORCEMENT OF ARMS EMBARGO ON SOUTH
AFRICA. END FYI.

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